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From: Director of Naval Intelligence Representative

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Subj: Highest Naval Priority Targets in CHICOM; Precedence of

- 1. It is urgently requested that Port Arthur (Lii-Shun) Naval Base (38 48N-121 16E) be given a priority one rating in the China Target Listing. This requirement is considered necessary in order to furnish urgently needed tactical information on the following:
 - a. Strength and disposition of the Chinese Communist submarine force.
- b. Operational readiness of the whole CHICOM Fleet, the main strength of which normally operates out of Northeast China ports.
- c. Ascertain the capabilities of reported additional fleet logistic support facilities.
- 2. While Port Arthur is considered to be of the highest priority, it is also requested that the following near-by targets which are of extreme interest to the Navy be covered simultaneously as bonus targets. For these priority II is requested.

DAIREN (Ta-lien)

38 55N - 121 39E

WEIHAIWEI

37 30N - 122 06E

TSINGTAO

36 04N - 120 19E

TUNG-CHIA WAN (BAY) 36 06N - 120 33E

Primary interest is in the harbors, port facilities, naval bases and/or bays.

3. The area encompassing these targets has not been adequately covered for about three (3) years during which time the CHICOM Fleet has undergone considerable growth and development.

By direction

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